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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language references 1 and 4 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. A concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language references 2-3 appears in the Appendix attached hereto.

- ☒ 4. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references 1-4 are attached hereto.
- ☒ 5. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publications have been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 1-3.

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A concise explanations of this document is given on pages 1 and 2 of the specification.

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A concise explanation of this document is given on pages 2-4 of the specification.

JP-A-7-17056

This document shows an ink jet recording head 1 wrapped in a sealing wrapper 6 charged with an inert gas before mounting of the head on a recording apparatus.

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This document shows a package of a plurality of ink jet recording heads accommodated in respective electrically conductive trays 2 which are accommodated in a container 3 enclosed with a sealing wrapper 6 filled with an inert gas.